



**Zoom Video conference Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2021**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Mark Anderson, Chair – present	Kelly Garcia – present
Kimberly Kudej – present	Faith Sandberg – present
Sam Wallace – present	Matt Highland – present
Rebecca Peterson – present	Carrie Malone – present
Skylar Mayberry-Mayes – present	Nancy Freudenberg – present
Jack Willey – present	Janee Harvey – present
	Jean Slaybaugh – present
	Vern Armstrong – present
	Gretchen Kraemer-present
	Anthony Lyman - present
	Sarah Ekstrand - present
	Cory Turner – present

EX-OFFICIO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS
Representative Joel Fry – absent
Senator Mariannette Miller-Meeks – absent
Senator Amanda Ragan – absent
Representative Timi Brown-Powers – absent

Call to Order

Chair Mark Anderson called the Council meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. via zoom video conference on Thursday, January 14, 2021.

Roll Call

All Council members were present, all Ex-Officio legislative members were absent.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Willey, seconded by Wallace to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2020 meeting.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Rules

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented for adoption at the January 14, 2021, Council on Human Services meeting.

R-1 Amendments to Chapters 77, “Conditions of Participation for Providers of Medical and Remedial Care,” and Chapter 78, “Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Services,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Allows Physician Assistants to bill independently)

The proposed amendment implements Senate File 2357 from 2020 which allows physician assistants to bill independently for services provided. Previously a physician assistant billed for services provided through a supervising physician.

A motion was made by Wallace to approve and seconded by Kudej
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R-2 Amendments to Chapters 83, “Medicaid Waiver Services,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Remove Elderly Waiver Cap)

House File 2269 from 2020 directs the Department to eliminate the monthly budget maximum or cap for individuals eligible for the Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Elderly Waiver. This proposed amendment removes the total limit on the monthly cost of care for the Elderly Waiver.

A motion was made by Willey to approve and seconded by Mayberry-Mayes
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R-3 Amendments to Chapter 95, “Collections,” Chapter 96, “Information and Records,” Chapter 97, “Collection Services Center,” Chapter 98, “Support Enforcement Services,” Chapter 99, “Support, Establishment and Adjustment Services and Chapter 100, “Child Support Promoting Opportunities for Parents Program,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Policies for administrative appeal rules).

This rulemaking proposes changes to maintain current Child Support Recovery Unit (CSRU) Administration appeal procedures in light of the recent changes in the IAC 441- chapter 7 appeal rules. This rulemaking also recognizes various organizations rule by keeping all collection rules in Chapter 95 and all enforcement rules in Chapter 98. Outdates language and duplicate language is removed. Proposed amendments make changes to current CSRU procedures.

A motion was made by Wallace to approve and seconded by Willey
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

R-4 Amendments to Chapter 187, “Aftercare Services Program,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Aftercare services eligibility). The proposed rule is to implement FH 2220 from 2020 to ensure aftercare eligibility that youth who were in court-ordered placement with a relative or other approved person at age 18 will receive the same aftercare benefits as their peers who age out of state-paid placements. The aftercare services program, including the preparation for adult living program (PAL), helps youth who were formally in foster care, the Iowa State training school or a court-ordered Iowa juvenile detention center enter adulthood with ongoing services and support.

A motion was made by Kudej to approve and seconded by Mayberry-Mayes
MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented as Noticed rules.

**N-1 Amendments to Chapter 156, “Payments for Foster Care Remedial Services,” and Chapter 202 “Foster Care Placement and Services” Iowa Administrative Code.
(Implements the Kinship Caregiver Program)**

The proposed amendment implements the Kinship Caregiver Program to allow relatives to receive a \$300 a month stipend for each child in their care for up to six months. The caregiver will be invited to participate in the foster care licensing process in the first two months they are care caring for their kin, and they would be able to receive the Kinship Caregiver Payment for up to six months. They may also be eligible for supports such as child care, respite, training and caseworker support once licensed. Kinship Caregivers are not required to become licensed to receive the stipend, though it will be encouraged so they would be eligible for the continued supports listed above

A motion was made by Mayberry-Mayes to approve and seconded by Wallace

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Director’s Report

Director Kelly Garcia updated the Council on the COVID-19 vaccine distribution in Iowa. She also informed the council that she has received the Department of Justice’s report on the Glenwood and Woodward Resource Centers. She will share more information about that report in the February meeting.

Adjournment

Chair Mark Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Julie McCauley
Council Secretary